

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING OF THE TOWN BOARD OF THE TOWN OF FORT ANN HELD APRIL 8, 2013 COMMENCING AT 7:04 P.M.

PRESENT: DARLENE Z. DUMAS, SUPERVISOR  
DUANE A. BURCH, COUNCILMAN  
BRUCE K. WHITNEY, COUNCILMAN  
GRETCHEN R. STARK, COUNCILWOMAN  
ALFRED E. DUNLOP, COUNCILMAN

OTHERS PRESENT: HELEN DENNO, CONFIDENTIAL SECRETARY TO THE SUPERVISOR  
PAUL WINCHELL, SUPT. OF HIGHWAYS

RECORDING SECRETARY: MARY JANE GODFREY, TOWN CLERK

Meeting was called to order with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

A moment of silence was held for a deceased Pilot Knob resident, William Mallane.

Motion was introduced by Mr. Dunlop and seconded by Mr. Burch to approve the Town Board Minutes of March 11, 2013 with one correction:

Page 14, paragraph 6 should read "The Town contract with the Department of State was extended to the end of 2013."

Motion was carried to approve the minutes of March 11, 2013 with the correction.

Motion was introduced by Mr. Burch and seconded by Mr. Dunlop to pay the bills as warranted and audited.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Supervisor's Report: The Monthly Statement to Supervisor is on the Town's website and the paper statement is available upon request.

Moose Hillock Camp Resort: Supervisor Dumas spoke on said Resort and then presented their list of changes to the Planning Board. Also, stated the Resort speaking with an audience would like a meeting outside/other than the Town Hall. No further information is now available.

Supervisor Dumas received 50+ phone calls the past month.

Town's website now is fortannfornow.com, but a new website will be formed.

Hadlock Dam insurance has been paid in the amount of \$37,955.51. Supervisor questioned a reduced rate.

Old Stone House Library is now listed in the National Register of Historic places.

Streetscape Project is moving forward and is to start in October, 2013. (This concerns the property on State Rte. 4/149 intersection improvement.)

The Fort Ann Antiques building will be removed during this improvement.

Request for Proposal (“RFP”) for Lake Management Service for the Town of Fort Ann were received. Diane Moore and Gretchen Stark were in control of said RFP procedure. Ms. Moore stated \$100,000.00 is the amount for the total project and it depends on the acreage, permit from Adirondack Park Agency and other variables. The next process is to conduct and set up a date and time for interviews with the prospective candidates.

Requests received were:

Lycott Environmental, Inc., 21 West Main Street, Rte. 9, Spencer, MA 01562

Phone: (508) 885-0101

[www.lycott.com](http://www.lycott.com)

Total Cost: \$9,500.00

Allied Biological, Inc., 580 Rockport Road, Hackettstown, NJ 07840

Phone: (908) 850-0303

Fax: (908) 850-4994

[www.alliedbiological.com](http://www.alliedbiological.com)

Total Cost: \$114,395.00

Ms. Moore and Ms. Stark (with Gene Ouderkirk to be present at the interviews) will contact the two parties to set up a date/time for a meeting for interviews. Ms. Moore stated the Town of Fort Ann is third on the list of lakes through the “APA” to be studied.

A letter of acknowledgement of the Town highway employees and Mr. Winchell was presented to Mr. Winchell on their assistance avoiding a disaster at the Old Stone House Library basement during flooding.

Town Clerk’s Reports: Ms. Godfrey gave a report of funds collected/disbursed for the months of February, 2013 and March, 2013.

Public Comment Section was declared open at 7:22 p.m. Hearing no comments, Public Comment Section was declared closed at 7:23 p.m.

Supt. of Highways Report: Mr. Winchell reported on work on the Town roads, grading of all Town Roads, Farm Woods Road work, ditching has been completed, stumps removed in preparation for the parking lot at the Waterfront Park.

Weed Harvester: a motor has been found and will be paid by partial payment. Said Harvester should be returned in May, 2013.

Recreation/Tourism: Ms. Stark met with the Committee and the Memorial Day Parade is to be held with music, food, perhaps booths and possibly the Senior Citizens group will hold a food sale. Work is being done on the monthly calendar of events in the Town which will be posted at different areas.

A farmer’s market at the Fort Ann Fire House will be held also for four Sundays in July and August.

There still is a need for a new Summer Recreation Director.

Mr. Dunlop spoke on the Lake George Water Coalition; grant was applied for and discussed. The organization is requesting a reduction of asian clams in the lake. There is a need to fight this problem early. New plants going into the lake was discussed.

Lake George Park Commission invasive species: work with the said Coalition on boat inspection for perhaps next year.

Dale Grinnell, State Rte. 4, Fort Ann, NY spoke on the Brown Cemetery in West Fort Ann on Tripoli Road; stated there should be clean up of lots for Memorial Day.

New Business: Fertilizer/Pesticide proposed law was submitted by Mr. Dunlop for the Lake George Watershed with the Town of Fort Ann. Mr. Dunlop stated the rules of said law and will call for a resolution at the May Town Board Meeting.

Comments: Mr. Burch spoke and said he has a problem with the submitted law, Sec. D; Enforcement and Penalties. The Town Board will study this proposed law. Mr. Burch stated the Town does not have a Code Enforcement Officer, only the Supervisor to sign applications. The previous Code Enforcement Officer could not issue citations for violations. The Town laws previously were not enforced by law officers. This would only apply to persons in the Lake George Watershed as stated by Mr. Dunlop. An error occurred on the amount of the proposed law submitted on the amounts. The Town Board will study this issue also.

Resolution No. 2013-029 was introduced by Mr. Dunlop and seconded by Ms. Stark to advertise for bids for the pavilion, gazebo, concrete floor and picnic tables and benches for the Waterfront Park.

Discussion followed on the funds still being available from last year.

Resolution No. 2013-029 was duly adopted unanimously.

Resolution No. 2013-030 was introduced by Ms. Stark and seconded by Mr. Whitney and Mr. Dunlop to appoint Leslie Barker as the Town of Fort Ann Planning Board Secretary.

Resolution No. 2013-030 was duly adopted unanimously.

Correspondence/Misc.: Supervisor Dumas received notice of the retiring of Helen Denno as the Town of Fort Ann Corresponding Secretary to the Supervisor effective April 29, 2013.

Resolution No. 2013-031 was introduced by Mr. Dunlop and seconded by Mr. Burch to reappoint Helen Denno as the Town of Fort Ann Corresponding Secretary to the Supervisor.

Resolution No. 2013-031 was duly adopted unanimously.

Dog Shelter: New York State Department of Agriculture and Markets has reported that said Shelter is now listed as satisfactory with the problem of last inspection being remedied.

Catherine LaMay of Child Family Health Plus of Saratoga Hospital submitted application forms which are available at the Town Hall.

Meeting dates/time are available from the Town Supervisor.

Lake George Park Commission is requesting from the Town a Memorandum of Understanding on preventing further introduction of aquatic and invasive species in Lake George. This will be studied.

Washington County: Supervisor Dumas stated everything at the County is status quo.

Public Discussion Section was opened at 7:52 p.m.

Mr. Grinnell spoke on the Green Thumb Nursery on State Rte. 4 which is collecting food for the Town and stated a food pantry in Fort Ann may be started.

Arlene Green thanked the Rotary Club for the new Welcome signs entering Fort Ann.

Gene Connell, Hadlock Pond Road, Fort Ann, NY spoke on Mr. Dunlop's herbicide on lawns proposed law and questioned if Hadlock is included in this. Mr. Dunlop stated not at present but he is not opposed to other sites being included. Mr. Connell spoke on the weeds in Hadlock Pond. Mr. Dunlop asked Mr. Connell if the Hadlock Association wants to be included and Mr. Connell stated "Yes." Mr. Burch stated this should be town-wide.

Public Discussion closed at 7:56 p.m.

Motion was introduced by Mr. Burch and seconded by Mr. Dunlop to adjourn at 7:58 p.m.

Motion was carried unanimously.

Total Abstracts:	General	\$21,690.00	Highway	\$32,327.43
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Respectfully submitted,

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Mary Jane Godfrey, Town Clerk  
Town of Fort Ann, New York

Dated: April 11, 2013